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Geneva, October 26. N. S.

THE Warlike Preparations in *Savoy* are continued with great Application, and the new Levies are said to be already in good forwardness. The *Vaudois* have taken up Arms, and make Excursions upon the *French* Frontiers; and we hear that the Governor of *Fenestrelles*, coming out with a Party of Dragoons to oppose them, was taken Prisoner, with many of his Men, most of the rest being killed. They write from *Lions*, That the Marshal *de Tesse* passed by that Place the 21st Instant, going to *Grenoble*, to draw together a Body of Troops, in order to hinder the Excursions of the *Vaudois*; and part of the Troops under the Marshal *de Montrevel* were marched that way, which had given an opportunity to the *Camisars* to plunder some Villages near *Nismes*, from whence they had carried away a good number of Horses, and a great quantity of Corn and Forage.

Venice, October 20. Six *French* Battalions which had been left in the *Trentine*, under the Command of the Count *de Medavi*, arrived the 13th Instant at *Dezenzano*, with 24 Barks laden with their Bagage; part of them went into Garison at *Castiglione*, and the rest marched towards the *Cremonese*, in order to join the *French* Forces under the Duke of *Vendosme*, which are advancing towards *Piedmont*. The *French* and *Spanish* Generals were to hold a great Council of War at *Pavia* the 16th. General *Staremberg* has divided his Army into 3 Bodies, which are in a readiness to march, but it is not yet known upon what Design.

Vienna, October 24. There are Advices from *Milan*, That several *French* Officers who were passing thro' the Duke of *Savoy*'s Dominions, not knowing what Provocations had been given by their Nation to his Royal Highness, had been seized by his Order, together with 150 Dragoons, whose Horses had been distributed among his Troops; That the *French* and *Spanish* Ambassadors continued under Confinement, to secure the return of those he has at *Paris* and *Madrid*; and that the Count *d'Aversberg*, the Emperor's Minister, who had been at *Turin* some time *incognito*, did now appear publickly. The Duke of *Vendosme* left the *French* Camp at *San Benedetto* on the 9th Instant, with a Detachment, which is said to consist of 12000 Men, in order to invade the Duke of *Savoy*'s Territories, who on his part was making all the necessary Preparations for his Defence. The rest of the *French* Army remained at *San Benedetto* the Command thereof being left to the Duke of *Vendosme*'s Brother, the Grand Prior, till the Arrival of the Prince of *Vaudemont*, who came thither the 14th. The Rebels in *Hungary* have of late done no great Mischief. The Prince of *Schwartzemberg*, Steward of the Houshold to the Empress, died here the 22d Instant. Count *Wurbe*, Great Chancellor of *Bohemia*, not being in a Condition to execute that Office any longer, by reason of the ill State of his Health, has resigned it, and is likely to be succeeded by Count *Kinsky*.

Heilbron, October 26. The *French* Army under the Command of the Marshal *de Villars* decamped the 13th Instant from *Wiblingen* near *Ulm*, and having passed the *Iller*, marched that day to *Delmingen*: He was in hopes to have surprised the *Saxon* Forces under General *Schaylenberg*, but was prevented by their diligent Marches; On the 16th they arrived at *Kempten*, together with the 5 Battalions which were in Garison at *Brisac*, and on the 19th joined Prince *Lewis*, who had the day before marched from his Camp near *Augsbourg*, having left there a sufficient Garison of Horse and Foot, under the Command of Lieutenant-General *Biera*. Count *Stirum* is marching towards *Gemund* with the Body of Forces under his Command, in order to cover the Country of *Wirtemberg*.

Francfort, Nov. 1. According to our Advices concerning the Siege of *Landau*, the Count *de Frise*, Governor of that Place, continues to make a good Defence, and his Sallies have been very successful. We have had a Report that the *French* were retired from before it, which proves to be a mistake, occasioned by their sending some of their Cannon, which had been ruined by the continual Fire of the Besieged, to Fort *Louis*, from whence others came in their room, and during this interval they ceased firing. The Prince of *Hesse* is marching this way with all diligence from the *Netherlands*, with the Confederate Forces under his Command, in order, as is said, to relieve *Landau*. Our last Advices from Prince *Lewis*'s Army are of the 23d past, and left his Highness near *Kempten*: It is thought he is marching towards *Memmingen*, the taking of which Place will be of use to him in enlarging his Winter Quarters. The Count *de Stirum* is still at *Gemund*. The Count *d'Arco* continues with 6000 *Bavarians* near *Landsperg*, to cover the Country from the Excursions of the Imperialists. It is said that the Duke of *Savoy* has writ a Letter to the Elector of *Bavaria*, inviting him to enter into the Grand Alliance, and representing to him the Treatment he may otherwise expect, from the Example of what himself has suffered. The *French* Army under the Marshal *de Villars* was encamped the 25th past at *Riedlingen*.

Hamburgh, Nov. 2. Letters from *Warsaw* say, the King of *Poland* was gone to *Zamosk*, where the Senate would meet the 16th of this Month. The *Swedes* have demolished the Fortifications of *Thoorn*, and intend to take Winter Quarters in *Prussia*.

Rotterdam, Nov. 4. On the 2d Instant the King of *Spain* came by Water from *Dort*, and having dined at *Ysselmonde*, arrived here about 4 in the afternoon, and was saluted with several Discharges of the Cannon of the *English* and *Dutch* Yachts, and other Ships that lay in the *Maese*, of the great Guns upon our Walls, and the small Arms of the Burghers, who were drawn up along the River side, which was returned by Discharges of the Guns of the Yacht on board which his Majesty was. Our Burgomasters, in their Shalop, went on board the Yacht to compliment him, and were immediately admitted to Audience. Yesterday about 9 in the morning his Majesty's Yacht, with the several other Yachts attending him, came before the Admiralty Court, where his Majesty came on Shore *incognito*, accompanied by the Deputies appointed by the States General, and those of *Holland* and *Westfriseland*, to receive and compliment him. His Majesty visited our Docks, Yards, *&c.* and presented the Captain of the Admiralty with a Gold Medal, on one side whereof was his Majesty's Effigies, with this Inscription, *Carolus III. D. G. Hispaniarum Rex*, and on the other, an Eagle flying up towards the Sun, with this Motto, *Patrum Virtute*. After which his Majesty returned on board his Yacht; and about 4 in the afternoon came on Shore again, and, with his Retinue, passed through this City, and took Water for the *Hague*.

Hague, Nov. 6. N. S. His Catholick Majesty came away from *Rotterdam* the 3d Instant, in the afternoon, in one of the States Yachts, attended by several other Yachts, and about 7 in the evening passed by *Delf*, where he was saluted with a Discharge of the Cannon round the Town. His Majesty came by Water to the usual Landing-place from *Delf*, and from thence went *incognito* in the Imperial Envoy's Coach, accompanied by the Duke of *Marlborough*, the Imperial Envoy, and divers other Persons of Quality, who had been as far as *Delf* to meet him, and by the Deputies of this State, to the *Old-Court*, which had been fitted up for his Reception, where he is attended by a Guard of Halbardiers, and a Detachment of the Blue Regiment of Guards. The next day his Majesty was complimented by the several Colleges, and appeared in Publick in his Coach in the *Voorhout*: His Majesty also dined in Publick. In the evening his Grace the Duke of *Marlborough* had Audience of his Majesty, and presented to him Her Majesty of *Great Britain*'s Letters of Congratulation upon his Accession to the *Spanish* Monarchy. This day his Grace had Audience of Leave of his Catholick Majesty, who presented him with his Picture, set with Diamonds, of a considerable Value. His Grace intends to embark to morrow for *England*, if the Wind be fair. The Forces designed for the Expedition to *Portugal* are marched to the several Places where they are to embark, which they will begin to do this day; and

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